

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A computer-implemented method for creating a portfolio of equity stocks, comprising the steps of:
- 5 determining the composition of a predetermined broad based stock index by accessing a database and creating a list of the stocks making up said index;
- obtaining from said database for each stock in said index, data relating to at least market capitalization and sales of the company issuing the stock;
- 10 creating an acceptable stock list by at least eliminating from said index list stocks having a market capitalization below a predetermined value; and
- sorting the acceptable list of stocks by sales and placing into said portfolio, until a predetermined number of stocks are reached, a stock having the highest sales of
- 15 said remaining list.
2. The computer-implemented method of claim 1, wherein said predetermined value of said market capitalization is said top twenty percent of said broad based stock index.
- 20 3. The computer-implemented method of claim 1, wherein said broad based stock index is the Nasdaq-100 Index.

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4. A computer-implemented system for creating a portfolio of equity stocks, comprising:

5 a database containing information pertaining to individual stocks, and information pertaining to the identity of stocks making up a plurality of known stock indexes;

10 means for determining the composition of a predetermined broad based stock index by accessing said database and creating a list of the stocks making up said index;

means for obtaining from said database for each stock in said index, data relating to at least market capitalization and sales of the company issuing the stock;

15 means for creating an acceptable stock list by at least eliminating from said index list stocks having a market capitalization below a predetermined value; and

20 means for sorting the acceptable list of stocks by sales and placing into said portfolio, until a predetermined number of stocks are reached, a stock having the highest sales of said remaining list.

5. The computer-implemented system of claim 4, wherein said predetermined value of said market capitalization is said top twenty percent of said broad based stock index.

25 6. The computer-implemented system of claim 4, wherein said broad based stock index is the Nasdaq-100 Index.

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7. A computer program product having computer-readable code stored on a computer-readable storage medium, said computer readable code comprising:
 - means for determining the composition of a predetermined broad based stock index by accessing a database and creating in a computer in which said code is programmed a list of the stocks making up said index;
 - means for obtaining from said database for each stock in said index, data relating to at least market capitalization and sales of the company issuing the stock;
 - means for creating an acceptable stock list by at least eliminating from said index list stocks having a market capitalization below a predetermined value; and
 - means for sorting the acceptable list of stocks by sales and placing into said portfolio, until a predetermined number of stocks are reached, a stock having the highest sales of said remaining list.
8. The computer program product of claim 7, wherein said predetermined value of said market capitalization is said top twenty percent of said broad based stock index.
9. The computer program product of claim 7, wherein said broad based stock index is the Nasdaq-100 Index.